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**MS PATENT APPLICATION**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a non-English patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c), which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of Provisional Application No(s). 60/432,662 and 60/482,568 filed on December 12, 2002 and June 26, 2003. An English translation will follow within the required time as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.52(d).

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Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of twenty-seven (27) pages
- Four (4) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- Applicant does not claim priority

Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). 2002-356703 and 2003-176323 filed in Japan on December 9, 2002 and June 20, 2003.

Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.  
 Certified copy(ies) will follow.

Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow

Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

Preliminary Amendment

Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76

Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449, and reference(s)

Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee

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Other:

Provisional application filed in English:  
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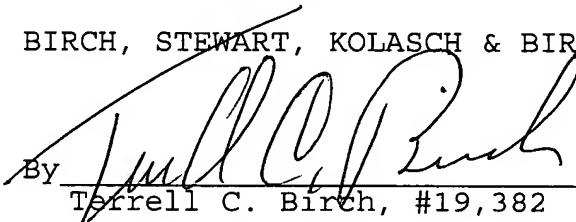
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